

## **Appendix G**

Delegation of Authority

From Superintendent Robert L. Arnberger to Investigative Team Co-chairs



IN REPLY REFER TO:

# United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
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A96 (GRCA 8211)

## Memorandum

To: Superintendent, North Cascades National Park, NPS (Co-Chair)  
Forest Supervisor, Bitterroot National Forest, USFS (Co-Chair)

From: Superintendent, Grand Canyon National Park

Subject: Outlet Prescribed Fire

I have requested a fire investigation, with the concurrence of the Director, National Park Service, through the National Interagency Fire Center. This letter constitutes the delegation of authority for the Interagency Fire Investigative Team. The Investigative Team will follow NPS (National Park Service) procedure as described in Chapter 13, Evaluation and Review, Reference Manual 18.

The purpose is to investigate the circumstances associated with the planning and execution of the Outlet Prescribed Fire in Grand Canyon National Park and determine if overall NPS guidance and procedures were followed. The Investigative Team will examine events and circumstances during the time period beginning with planning and implementation of the prescribed fire to the declaration as a wildfire for suppression.

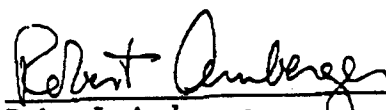
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1. If the Prescribed Fire Plan was adequate given the complexity, objectives and environmental conditions, and if it complied with NPS guidance set forth in Director's Order No. 18 and Reference Manual 18.
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3. If prescribed fire training and experience of personnel involved were commensurate with agency qualification standards.

Grand Canyon will assign staff assistance to the investigative team to assist in gathering information vital to the investigative process. Those individuals are Ken Kerr, Liaison and Katie Kiel, clerk.

The Investigative Team will complete work by close of business May 22, 2000. The findings of the Investigative Team will be reported to the Superintendent, Grand Canyon National Park.

The delegation shall go into effect at 0800 hours (DLS) on May 18, 2000.

  
Robert L. Arnberger

May 15, 2000  
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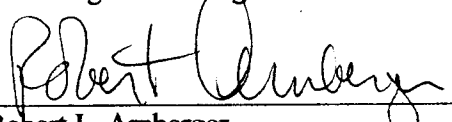
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